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EXTERMINATE THE BOLL WEEVIL

A late number of the Quarterly Bulletin of the State Plant Board bears an editorial of unusual interest to entomologists. In brief the suggestion is to exterminate the boll weevil from the United States by enacting a "no cotton" year. From the entomological side the problem is an easy one. The difficulty is psychological. To tell a man that he cannot raise cotton interferes with his "rights". But, as the Commissioner pointed out, by the time the war is over we will have been so thoroly "Hooverized" and "McAdooized" that we will not think so much of our "rights". The fact that the suggestion comes from the man who has practically "canned" Citrus Canker (seems as if it should be spelled Kanker to link it to other undesirables) will give the suggestion weight. Should a few plants of cotton escape the inspectors and leave a few colonies of the weevils, their extermination will be an easy matter as compared with that of Citrus Canker.

Our members will be glad to read in this issue of the continued prosperity of the Lee County Branch.

NOTES BY THE SECRETARY TREASURER

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